



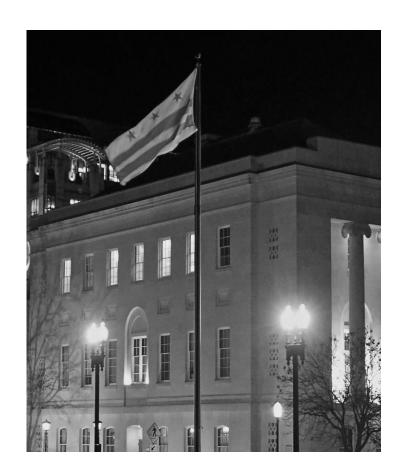
District Department of Transportation

### **Presentation Agenda**

LED Streetlight Background

Current Streetlight Projects

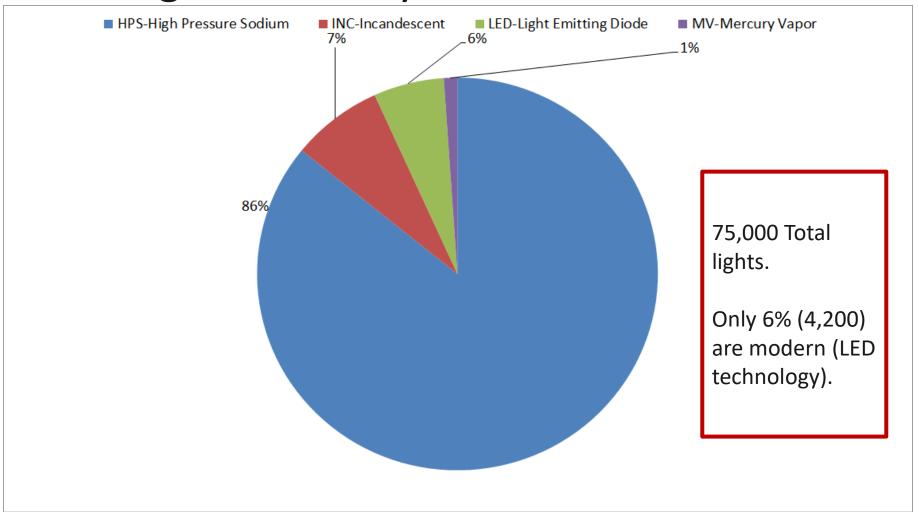
Pathway Forward



### Why LED Streetlights?

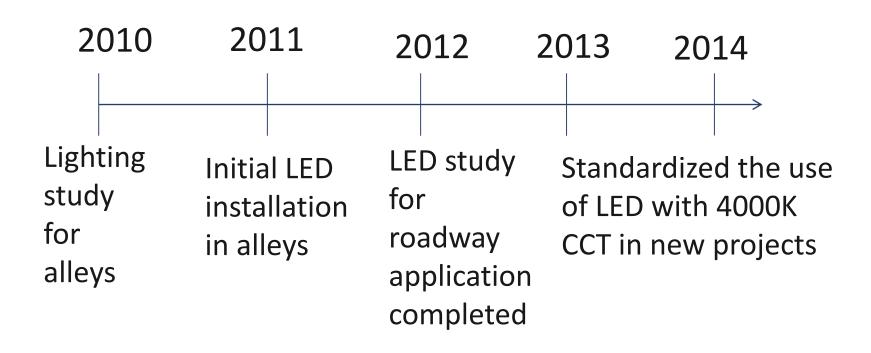
- Enactment of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007
  - Requires 25% greater efficiency for light bulbs
  - Manufacturers began moving away from incandescent bulbs
- DDOT began researching lighting alternatives focusing on alley lighting with most non-energy efficient lights
- LED becomes more promising technology
- In 2010 DDOT commissioned a lighting study including a public opinion survey of 143 residents on sample LED lights
  - 94% preferred LED to high pressure sodium lights
  - 90% felt LED streetlights improved visibility in streets and alleys
- In 2011 the District received a \$1.1 million grant from the US Department of Energy to reduce its carbon footprint

## LED Streetlight Background Streetlight Inventory



### LED Deployment

The Evolution of LED Implementation



Initial LED Deployment: 5000K

- Timeframe: January 2011 to June 2012
- Purpose and Criteria
  - Improve safety through better visibility
  - Replace incandescent and mercury vapor lights
  - Reduce energy consumption by at least 50%
  - Reduce carbon footprint
  - Reduce operation and maintenance cost

### Establishing 4000K as the DDOT Standard

- Timeframe: 2013 to present
- Purpose and Criteria
  - All benefits of 5000K
  - Increased efficiency
  - Better control of light pollution and trespass
  - Higher color rendering index (CRI) for better object recognition and detection
  - Improved lighting coverage and uniformity
  - Geared for adaptive control (dimming control)
  - Longer warranty period (10 years)

### **Current Streetlight Projects**

- Mt. Pleasant Street from Columbia Road to Park Road,
   NW (Historic District)
- Massachusetts Avenue from 6<sup>th</sup> Street NE to 19<sup>th</sup> Street SE (Historic Street)
- Pennsylvania Avenue, SE from 2nd Street to Barney Circle
- Citywide LED Conversion

CCT Multi-City Analysis							
	5600-6000K	5500K	4000K	4000K and 3000K	3200K	3000K	2700K
Seattle			Х				
Philadelphia			Х				
Montreal				Х			
Arlington		X					
City of Baltimore	Х				Х		
City and County of Honolulu				Х			
Washington D.C.			Х				
Phoenix							Х
Los Angeles			Х				
Tuscon						X	
San Jose				X			
Chicago						Х	
New York			Х				
San Diego				Х			

#### **DDOT Evaluation of 3000K & 4000K LED fixtures for Roadway Lighting**



<u>Luminaire Power</u>: 215 Watts Luminaire Type: Cobrahead (Cutoff)

Nominal CCT Rating: 4000K
Location: H Street NW between
17th Street and 18th Street (5
Lane, One Way, Minor Arterial)
Mounting Height: Approx. 30'



**Luminaire Power: 185 Watts** 

<u>Luminaire Type</u>: Cobrahead (Cutoff)

Nominal CCT Rating: 3000K

<u>Location</u>: K Street SW between Half Street and South Capitol Street (4 Lane, Two Way, Local Roadway) Mounting Height: Approx. 30'

Point of Observation	CCT (K) Range
Standing in the Street	3259 - 4143
Walking your dog on the sidewalk	2627 -3533
2 <sup>nd</sup> floor room 10' from the sidewalk	2607- 2891

Streetlight A – Approved Fixture

Point of Observation	CCT (K) Range
Standing in the Street	2783 - 2998
Walking your dog on the sidewalk	2579 - 3087
2nd floor room 10' from the sidewalk	2328- 2940

**Streetlight B - Under Evaluation** 

#### DDOT Evaluation of 3000K & 4000K LED fixtures for Roadway Lighting



Luminaire Power: 100 Watts Luminaire Type: Post-top Nominal CCT Rating: 4000K Location: 37th Street NW between U Street and Whitehaven (Approx. 35' wide 2-Way, Local Roadway) Mounting Height: Approx. 16'

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Luminaire Power: 100 Watts Luminaire Type: Post-top Nominal CCT Rating: 3000K Location: K Street SE between Half

Street and First Street (Approx. 35'

wide 2-Way, Local Roadway) Mounting Height: Approx. 16'

Point of Observation	CCT (K) Range
Standing in the Street	2349 -3537
Walking your dog on the sidewalk	2506 - 3449
2nd floor room 10' from the sidewalk	3201- 3388

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Streetlight C – Approved Fixture

Point of Observation	CCT (K) Range
Standing in the Street	2619 - 2902
Walking your dog on the sidewalk	2677 - 2890
2nd floor room 10' from the sidewalk	2375- 2691

Streetlight D – Under Evaluation

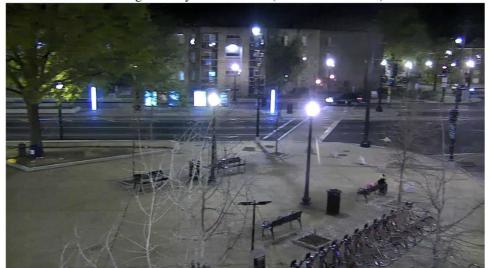
**LED** - HS Wisconsin Ave and M St NW - Banana Republic (PTZ Cam)



NON LED – 4D GA Avenue & New Hampshire Ave NW (PTZ & FIXED Cam)







NON LED - 5D 3700 block of 10th St NE (PTZ Cam)











#### AMA and Academia

- American Medical Association (AMA)
  - Glare can be magnified by improper color temperature of the LED, such as blue-rich LED lighting
  - 3000K lighting has been better received
  - The report is not comprised of consensus based guidelines like in the medical literature
  - The conclusions are meant to support/encourage mindfulness of light pollution. There are unique circumstances affecting each locality
- Lighting Research Center at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in New York
  - Photopic illuminance has very limited utility for characterizing how light stimulates the retina
  - When assessing risk, must consider the 'use cases'

#### Government

- D.C. Government:
  - DOH "AMA does not oppose the installation of LED street lights or state that they are a public health hazard and should not be used."
  - DOH "the AMA report advises that any jurisdiction...consider the potential human and animal health impacts as well as the economic and energy benefits."
  - DOEE "Replacing the District's streetlights with LED lights is consistent with the District's energy reduction goals outlined in Sustainable DC...which recommends replacing all street and public lighting with highefficiency fixtures."
- U.S. Department of Energy Response:
  - "These issues are neither new nor restricted to LED technology."
  - "The potential for undesirable effects from exposure to light at night emerges from evolving research, the implications apply to all light sources... phones, computer displays, and other such devices."

### Pathway Forward – Procurement

- DDOT is moving forward simultaneously on two tracks
  - Citywide LED Conversion Contract
  - Streetlight Public-Private Partnership

# Questions?